

2. "An arrangement of the American Cyclotomatidæ, with a revision of the nomenclature." By Prof. W. H. Dall, D.Sc.

3. "A Correction in Nomenclature." By E. A. Smith, I.S.O. (See *Notes*.)

4. "Note on the Dates of Publication of the various parts of Moquin-Tandon's 'Hist. Moll. terr. fluv. de France.'" By J. W. Taylor, F.L.S. (See *Notes*.)

The following specimens were exhibited:—

By Rev. R. Ashington Bullen: A collection of land and fresh-water shells from Huntingdonshire. Forty species were shown, including twenty-two hitherto unrecorded from the county; also some striking colour varieties of *Xesta citrina*, Linn., and *Amphidromus palaceus*, Mousson.

By G. B. Pritchard: Tertiary shells from Australia, including an example (the second discovered) of *Cypræa gastroplox*, M'Coy, with a broad flange projecting from the shell horizontally above the mouth. The specimen came from the clay of Mornington. Other species were *Solutofusus carinatus*, Pritchard, *Concholepas antiquatus*, Tate, and *Pseudovaricia mirabilis*, Tate.

By E. R. Sykes: A collection of West Indian Cyclotomatidæ.

ORDINARY MEETING.

FRIDAY, 13TH JANUARY, 1905.

E. R. SYKES, B.A., President, in the Chair.

John Ritchie, jun., was elected a member of the Society.

Dr. Henry Woodward, F.R.S., and Mr. Wilfred Bendall were appointed to audit the accounts of the Society for 1904.

The following communications were read:—

1. "A review of the Genera of the Family Mytilidæ." By A. J. Jukes-Browne, F.G.S.

2. "Note on the Type of *Geomelania*, with the description of a new species." By E. R. Sykes, B.A.

3. "On three species of *Dyakia* from Western Sumatra." By E. R. Sykes, B.A.

4. "On some Nudibranchs from the Pacific, including a new genus, *Chromodoridella*." By Sir C. N. E. Eliot, K.C.M.G.

5. "Notes on two rare British Nudibranchs, *Hero formosa*, var. *arborescens*, and *Staurodoris maculata*." By Sir C. N. E. Eliot, K.C.M.G.

6. "Description of a new *Achatina* from the Zambesi." By H. B. Preston, F.Z.S.

7. "Note on *Geitodoris planata* (Alder & Hancock)." By Sir C. N. E. Eliot, K.C.M.G. (See *Notes*.)

8. "Note on some Holocene Non-Marine Mollusca from Walton Heath, Surrey." By Raymond H. Chandler. (See *Notes*.)

9. "Note on *Oliva oryza*, Lamarek." By F. G. Bridgman. (See *Notes*.)

The following specimens were exhibited:—

By B. B. Woodward (on behalf of Raymond H. Chandler): Holocene shells from a pipe in the Chalk at Walton Heath. Some eighteen species were shown, including the shells of *Limax maximus* and *Vitrea Rogersi*.

By G. B. Pritchard: Older Tertiary shells from Victoria, comprising examples of Cephalopods, Gastropods, and Peleceypods.

By F. G. Bridgman: Varieties of *Olivella oryza*, Lamk. Attention was particularly drawn to a small white variety (not figured by Duclos or Reeve) used by the natives of the West Indies in the construction of shell-baskets. An exceedingly beautiful example of this work was shown; also specimens of *Oliva intertincta*, Cpr., *O. punctata*, Marrat, and *O. nitidula*, Duclos.

By E. R. Sykes: Types of shells lately described by him from the Indo-Malayan region; also a malformed specimen of the common cockle (*Cardium edule*).

NOTES.

A CORRECTION IN NOMENCLATURE. (*Read 9th December, 1904.*)—In the Proc. Malac. Soc., vol. v, p. 345, a note was published by Messrs. G. B. Sowerby & H. C. Fulton upon "a specimen of *Fistulana clava*, Lamk., perforating a shell of *Mitra intertirata*, Reeve." This very interesting object having been acquired by the British Museum, it became necessary to prepare a label for exhibition, and it was found that neither the name of the bivalve nor of the *Mitra* appeared to be quite correct, but that they should respectively be *Fistulana mumia* (Spengler), and *Mitra circulata*, Kiener, var.

It is a most difficult and complicated question as to which generic name should be employed for the bivalve, but after considerable investigation I am inclined to adopt *Fistulana*,¹ Bruguière (1789), for this shell, in agreement with Dr. Paul Fischer, who has discussed this point at some length in the Journ. de Conch., 1866, pp. 322–326. One important reference he overlooked at the time, namely, Lamarck's "Prodrome d'une nouvelle classification des Coquilles" in the Mém. Soc. Hist. nat. Paris, an. vii (1799). On p. 90 he gave a brief diagnosis of *Fistulana*, and quoted but one species, namely, *F. clava*. In this Prodrome, however, he made no reference to *Gastrochaena* or the species (*cuneiformis*, *mytiloides*, and *modiolina*) which he subsequently, in 1818 (Anim. sans Vert., vol. v, p. 447), placed in it. Fischer, in his Man. de Conch., p. 1130, observes that Lamarck limited *Fistulana* in an exact manner in 1799, showing that he had subsequently referred to Lamarck's Prodrome, which appears to have escaped his attention previously. With regard to the specific name, that given by Spengler (*mumia*) has undoubted priority over Lamarck's *clava*.

¹ *Fistulana*, Fabricius (1780), is evidently merely a misprint of *Fistularia*, Müller (1776).